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ranging from a few days to several years, and which in its solid
state is a mechanically strong plastic or rubbery material, and
- a bioactive component, which is a bioactive glass or a
bioactive xerogel,

such that the plasticized thermoplastic component remains moldable
for a certain period even after the temperature of the composite
has been lowered to a temperature which is considerably lower than
the setting temperature of said thermoplastic component.
